

Fast Food Fax

SEP 13, 2004

Trade sentiment was no better than steady. Demand ranged mostly light to instances fairly good. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate to available. Dark meat items were at least sufficient. Wings were adequate. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Aug 28, 2004

	FOOD SERVICE/ <u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	26,393	17,949	52,920	97,462
Percentage	27%	18%	54%	99%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	2,522	2.59
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	6,916	7.10
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	9,682	9.93
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	7,473	7.67
		26,393	27.29

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Jul 10	211,058	103	175,539	104	212,576	102	174,389	101	145,999	91
Jul 17	213,573	103	174,330	105	212,852	103	174,161	102	161,060	110
Jul 24	212,608	102	173,164	103	213,728	102	176,923	102	161,269	100
Jul 31	214,473	104	172,155	103	213,895	101	178,349	103	161,732	100
Aug 07	213,454	103	174,371	103	212,737	101	175,300	102	159,603	99
Aug 14	213,018	104	173,308	102	212,324	101	174,911	101	161,051	101
Aug 21	212,548	103	175,852	104	213,649	102	175,859	102	163,809	102
Aug 28	210,374	104	174,887	103	214,094	103	175,620	104	164,670	101
Sep 04	209,158	104	173,432	103	212,932	105	174,763	106	167,764	102

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 0913/04				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	60-63	62.64	61.22	61.13
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	58-61	61.44	63.08	58.26
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	84	81.08	81.32	71.58
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		69.59	70.14	64.27
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 78.50)		77.10	77.17	67.74
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		42.78	45.18	56.30

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
<u>Weekly Weighted Average</u>	<u>09/10/04</u>	<u>09/03/04</u>	<u>09/13/04</u>
Breast - B/S	151.84	123.88	185.50
Tenderloins	173.85	185.59	229.00 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	87.37	92.52	10450(Whole)
Leg Quarters	31.94	25.73	31.50
Wings	109.47	94.04	111.50